



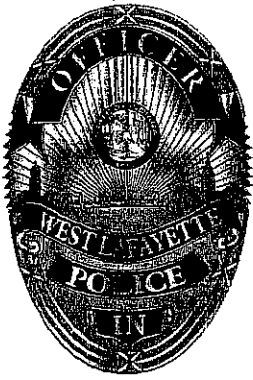
2008

ANNUAL REPORT

WEST VALLEY

POLICE

IN



WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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January 26, 2009

Honorable John R. Dennis
Mayor, City of West Lafayette
State of Indiana

Mayor Dennis,

Attached to this letter is the Annual Report of the Police Department of the City of West Lafayette for the calendar year of 2008. This report, compiled by our Records Division, follows the guidelines established by the United States Department of Justice.

During 2008 the department received **17,762** calls for service, an increase of 953 (6%) calls for service compared to 2007. The number of overall criminal arrests decreased by 22% in 2008 (1707) compared to 2007 (2189).

Providing alcohol awareness and education to the community was a targeted priority for the department in 2008. The department partnered with other agencies, including the Purdue Student Wellness Office and the Purdue University Police Department in these efforts. The measured results of these concentrated efforts are as follows.

- Operating While Intoxicated arrests decreased by 34% in 2008.
- Public Intoxication arrests decreased by 28% in 2008.
- Minor in Possession of Alcohol arrests decreased by 44% in 2008.
- The total number of **alcohol related arrests decreased by 35%** in 2008 (613) compared to 2007 (936).

In 2009, meeting and exceeding the expectations of the West Lafayette Community will continue to be the mission of the West Lafayette Police Department. The police department will continue to actively address neighborhood and nuisance issues and will also increase its efforts to target and address traffic and parking issues throughout the city. We will continue to focus on impaired and dangerous driving enforcement programs and on maintaining a very safe environment for the citizens of West Lafayette.

Respectfully,

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Jason Dombkowski
Chief of Police

2008 POLICE ROSTER

Chief of Police	Jason L. Dombkowski	January 24, 1994
Capt. Spc Assignment	Daniel D. Marvin	September 7, 1985
Capt. of Patrol	Christopher J. Leroux	January 1, 1987
Capt. Data Management	Michael D. Francis	December 14, 1985
Capt. Special Services	John T. Walker, Jr.	November 29, 1993
Lt. of Patrol	Gary L. Sparger	June 3, 1989
Lt. of Patrol	Scott M. Fohr	June 13, 1987
Lt. of Patrol	William J. Gallagher	January 3, 1995
Lt. of CID	Troy W. Harris	March 9, 1998
Sgt. of Patrol	Matthew S. Coddington	January 1, 1985
Sgt. of Patrol	Kevin A. Flynn	January 3, 1995
Sgt. of Patrol	David A. Vanvactor	August 12, 1996
Sgt. of CID	Cynthia A. Marion	April 20, 1991
Sgt. of Patrol	David E. Lord	October 20, 2000
Sgt. of Patrol	Jason H. Philhower	March 19, 1996
Sgt. of Patrol	John D. Watson	January 29, 2003
Specialist	Nancee L. Hetrick	June 5, 1981
Technician	Janet A. Shepherd	March 13, 1982
Specialist	Michael R. Max	April 26, 1986
Investigator	Jeffrey P. Ray	October 26, 1987
Specialist	Mark A. Ridge	May 14, 1988
Specialist	Marsha A. Miller	May 28, 1988

Specialist	Mark A. Gosney	November 12, 1988
Specialist	Kevin J. Coomey	January 1, 1990
Technician	Jeffrey J. Dunscomb	April 20, 1991
Investigator	Fredrick N. Townsend	February 13, 1995
Technician	Gary C. Ward	March 23, 1998
Specialist	Jeff A. Kirby	September 14, 1998
Specialist	William J. Dearing	October 4, 1999
Investigator	Arthur A. Choate	November 20, 2000
Specialist	Donald E. Hartman	January 2, 2001
Specialist	Adam S. Ferguson	January 29, 2001
Specialist	David S. Smith	September 4, 2001
Specialist	Jeffrey D. Decker	January 28, 2002
Specialist	Marcus D. Slifer	July 15, 2002
Specialist	Daniel R. Phillips	September 9, 2002
Specialist	Stason L. Wiete	September 15, 2003
Police Officer 1 st	Michael L. Brewer	June 7, 2004
Police Officer 1 st	Donald S. Greenwood	November 8, 2004
Investigator	Jonathan M. Eager	June 27, 2005
Police Officer 1 st	Chad E. Kendricks	August 22, 2005
Police Officer 1 st	James M. Spray	November 20, 2006
Police Officer 1 st	Troy M. Greene	November 20, 2006
Police Officer 2 nd	Daniel R. Griffin	August 28, 2007
Police Officer 2 nd	Jonathan T. Morgan	September 4, 2007

Prob. Police Officer	Matthew A. Thompson	October 29, 2007
*Prob. Police Officer	Adam S. Miller	January 7, 2008
*Prob. Police Officer	Michael J. Noworyta	September 8, 2008
*Prob. Police Officer	Thomas A. Merkley	May 29, 2007
Patrol Dispatcher	Lorna A. Sietsma	October 17, 1994
Patrol Dispatcher	David R. Stoike	April 30, 2001
Patrol Dispatcher	Mary B. McGrew	October 20, 2003
Patrol Dispatcher	Kimberly A. Hines	December 20, 2003
Patrol Dispatcher	Jason A. Timmons	February 21, 2004
Patrol Dispatcher	Tiffany L. Williard	May 21, 2004
Patrol Dispatcher	Mary B. Jones	November 8, 2004
*Patrol Dispatcher	Kristin M. Toulouse	January 1, 2008
*Patrol Dispatcher	Erica N. Ridge	December 3, 2008
*Patrol Dispatcher	Stacey R. Ehrman	May 19, 2008
*Patrol Dispatcher	Alicia M. Webb	June 17, 2007
Patrol Dispatcher	Dustin L. Winger	May 14, 2007
Patrol Dispatcher	Mark Bruni	July 2, 2007
*Patrol Dispatcher	Amanda L. Brooks	November 3, 2008
Office Manager	Tamara K. Holder	May 15, 1979
Systems Manager	Vickie J. Denson	February 22, 1988
Records Clerk	Kathryn A. McCorkle	January 2, 2001
CID Secretary	Nancy L. Walker	May 24, 1993
ACO/Court Bailiff	John H. King	September 4, 2001

Parking Control Officer	Edward L. Smith	May 30, 2000
Parking Control Officer	Chris D. Kennedy	August 17, 1998
Parking Control Officer	Jerry D. Burk	January 17, 2001
Maintenance Technician	Jeffrey D. Martin	June 16, 1997
Custodian	Wilma J. Mills	March 16, 1994
Crossing Guard	Martha Mugge	April 1975
Crossing Guard	Letitia Sietsma	November 1994
Crossing Guard	Kathryn Mauch	August 1995
Crossing Guard	Elizabeth Sparger	December 1996
Crossing Guard	Kathy Jones	August 1999
Crossing Guard	Vicki Burch	August 1999
Crossing Guard	Sherri Dunscomb	December 11, 2002
*Crossing Guard	Debra Foster	January 2008
*Crossing Guard	Sherri M. Galbraith	January 2008
Total strength of the Department as of December 31, 2008:		48 Officers 31 Civilians

Appointments:

Adam S. Miller	January 7, 2008	Patrolman
Michael J. Noworyta	September 8, 2008	Patrolman
Stacey R. Ehrman	May 19, 2008	Patrol Dispatcher
Amanda L. Brooks	November 3, 2008	Patrol Dispatcher
Erica N. Ridge	December 3, 2008	Patrol Dispatcher
Debra Foster	January 2008	Crossing Guard
Sherri M. Galbraith	January 2008	Crossing Guard

Promotions:

Troy W. Harris	April 22, 2008	Sgt. of CID to Lt. of CID
Cynthia A. Marion	May 20, 2008	Investigator to Sgt.

of CID

Dave E. Lord	July 22, 2008	Specialist to Sgt. of Patrol
Jason H. Philhower	July 22, 2008	Specialist to Sgt. of Patrol
John D. Watson	July 22, 2008	Specialist to Sgt. of Patrol

Resigned:

Thomas A. Merkley	March 30, 2008
Alicia M. Webb	March 14, 2008
Stacey R. Ehrman	September 18, 2008

*Denotes appointments, resignations, terminations, retirements and promotions



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2008 TRAFFIC DIVISION REPORT

A crash comparison for 2007 to 2008 indicates that the total number of crashes for the year increased 3% for a total of 1343. The police Department also investigated 158 Personal Injury Crashes during the year which was a 1% increase from the previous year. Our department investigated 33 Alcohol related crashes which was a 30% decrease from the previous year. We also were fortunate and did not have any fatality crashes in 2008 compared to 2 in both 2006 and 2007.

The Police Department again participated in the Operation Pull Over Awareness Program funded by the Governor's Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving. During the year, the department worked 1,360 hours of grant funded traffic enforcement. During the hours worked on grant funded enforcement the department issued 2,209 citations for various traffic violations. Also during this enforcement effort, officers of the department arrested 31 people for DUI or other criminal charges that were identified during the traffic stop. This enforcement effort by the officers of the department leads to high visibility which in turns deters crime and makes our streets safer for the motoring public.

The department participated in the County Wide DUI enforcement effort during the year and made 172 alcohol related arrest and conducted 1 Sobriety Check Point in 2008. We continued our involvement with the Fatal Alcohol Crash Team and increased the number of officers working on the team during the year.

Our goal for 2009 is to continue participating in grant funded enforcement and maintain high visibility in the area school zones. We will respond to citizen's concerns with extra enforcement in problem areas to improve traffic safety, with an emphasis on public awareness to reduce criminal activity.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chris Leroux
Captain

TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT DIVISION

YEAR END REPORT FOR 2008

CRASH COMPARISON FOR 2007 & 2008
(Year to Date Figures)

	2007	2008	UP	DOWN	%
TOTAL	1302	1343	41		3%
PD UNDER 1,000.00	259	246		13	5%
PROPERTY DAMAGE	705	753	48		7%
PERSONAL INJURY	156	158	2		1%
PERSONS INJURED	199	195		4	2%
FATALITY	2	0		2	100%
PERSONS KILLED	2	0		2	100%
ALCOHOL RELATED	47	33		14	30%

MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN'S ACTIVITIES:

Maintained city signs and signals as needed.

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Leroux

Captain/Traffic Commander

NOTE: Seventeen Hit & Run crashes have been included in the Total Crashes.
(One hundred eighty-six Hit & Run crashes year to date)

Total Calls Processed:	2007	2008	Percentage
Calls For Service	16809	17762	6% Up
Reported Cases:			
Homicide	0	1	100% Up
Rape	4	7	75% Up
Robbery	3	5	67% Up
Battery	143	136	5% Down
Burglary	81	110	36% Up
Auto Theft	21	36	71% Up
Larceny	403	416	3% Up
Auto Crashes:			
(including under \$1000)	1322	1343	2% Up
Fatal Crashes	2	0	100% Down
Arrests:			
Criminal	2189	1707	22% Down
Juvenile	56	54	4% Down
OWI	260	172	34% Down
Public Intoxication	383	277	28% Down

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
Major Cases Investigated	Aggravated Assaults	38
	Burglary/Business	12
	Burglary/Residence	98
	Homicide/Manslaughter	1
	Homicide/Murder	0
	Kidnapping	0
	Larceny	416
	Murder/Attempted	0
	Rape/Attempted	0
	Rape/By Force	7
	Robbery	5
	Vehicle Theft	36
	Total:	613
Incidents Reported	24 Hour Ordinance	69
	Accidents/All Reported	1343
	Accidents/Misc	10
	Alarms	394
	All Other Misc Offense	7
	Animal Restraining	1
	Assist Other Agency	48
	Bicycle Injury	1
	Bomb Threats	1
	City Noise Ord Violation	208
	City Open Container Violation	1
	City/County Ord & State Statute	151
	Contempt of Court	1
	Cruelty to Animals	1
	Damaged Property	35
	Death/Other than Homicide	9
	Demented/Mental	11
	Department Information	238
	Disorderly Conduct	3
	Disturbance/Arguments/Fights	30
	Dog/Other Animals	50
	Domestic Disturbance	63
	Doors/Windows Unlocked	2

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
Incidents Reported	Driving While Suspended	172
	Drug Abuse Violations	111
	Drunkeness/Public Intoxication	172
	Embezzlement	1
	Escapee/Attempts	1
	False Informing/Reporting	11
	Fire/Non-arson	2
	Forgery/Counterfeiting	6
	Fraud	100
	Fugitives/Wanted on Warrant	3
	Harassment	44
	Ill/Injured Person	10
	Illegal Discharge of Fireworks	2
	Indecent/Public Exposure	4
	Junk Vehicle Violation	15
	Liquor Law Violations	47
	Misc Traffic Violation	29
	Missing/Lost Person	5
	Offense Against Family/Child	16
	Operating While Intoxicated	160
	Other Assaults	98
	Parking/Private Property	65
	Property Found	104
	Property Lost	5
	Reckless Driving	4
	Residential Entry	16
	Resisting Law Enforcement	17
	Runaway	8
	Sex Offenses	13
	Soliciting w/o Permit	6
	Speeding	2
	Stalking	1
	Suicide/Attempts/Threats of	39
	Suspicious Incident/Persons	102
	Telephone Harassment	24
	Threats/Intimidation	31
	Tow-Ins	10
	Trespass	121
	Vandalism/Graffiti	6
	Vandalism/Mischief	310
	Weapon Violation	1
	Wheel Lock	213
	Total:	4784

Prior Cases Cleared	Detective Division	100
Crashes	Fatal	0
	Property Damage	753
	Personal Injury	158
	Leaving The Scene	186
	Under \$1000	246
	Total:	1343
Crashes w/Alcohol	Contributing Factor	33
Crashes w/Fatalities	# Persons Killed	0
Crashes w/Injuries	# Persons Injured	195
Traffic Enforcement	Arrests	3828
	Warnings	8485
	Total:	12313
Noise Ordinance Enforcement	Arrests	58
	Warnings	175
	Total:	233
Parking Enforcement	Total	17828
Parking Fines Collected	Total	335239
UCR Property		
Property Stolen	\$\$\$ Total	535391
Property Recovered	\$\$\$ Total	110272

CRIMINAL ARRESTS
2008

Assisting a Criminal	2
Attempted Murder with a Knife	1
Auto Theft	4
Battery	40
Burglary	8
Carry Handgun w/o Permit	1
Check Deception	5
Child Solicitation	1
Conspiracy to Commit Forgery	2
Contempt of Court	3
Contribute to Delinquent of a Minor	1
Counterfeiting	1
Criminal Confinement	6
Criminal Conversion	7
Criminal Mischief	9
Criminal Recklessness with Vehicle	2
Criminal Recklessness with Weapon	3
Dealing Cocaine	1
Dealing Controlled Substance	2
Dealing Hashish	2
Dealing Marijuana	12

Dealing Meth	1
Dealing Narcotic Drug	1
Disorderly Conduct	26
Domestic Battery	11
Driving While Suspended	113
Escape	2
Failure to Appear/Warrant Charge	5
False Informing	32
Forgery	10
Fraud	5
Furnishing Alcohol to Minors	6
Habitual Substance Offender	2
Habitual Traffic Violator	11
Identity Deception	8
Indecent Exposure	1
Interfere w/Reporting Crime	3
Interim Plate Violation	1
Intimidation	4
Intimidation w/Deadly Weapon	2
Invasion of Privacy	2
Leaving the Scene/Accident	38
Maintaining Common Nuisance	20
Minor In Possession	164

Money Laundering	1
Neglect of a Dependent Resulting In Death	1
Neglect of a Dependent	3
Never Receiving a License	55
Obstruction of Justice	2
Obstruction of Traffic	1
Obtain Legend Drug by Fraud	11
Operating w/out Financial Responsibility	3
Operating While Intoxication	171
Possession of Controlled Substance	12
Possession of False Government ID	1
Possession of Hashish	2
Possession of Legend Drugs	1
Possession of Marijuana	118
Possession of Meth	3
Possession of Paraphernalia	57
Possession of Alcohol by Minor	2
Probation Violation	1
Public Indecency	1
Public Intoxication	276
Receiving Stolen Property	5
Reckless Driving	9
Refuse to Identify	2

Refusal to Submit to Chemical/Breath Test	10
Residential Entry	13
Resisting Law Enforcement	45
Robbery	1
Sexual Battery/Offenses	3
Theft	66
Trespass	24
Unauthorized Entry of a Motor Vehicle	2
Unlawful Use of a Police Radio	1
Visiting Common Nuisance	2
Wanted on Warrant	221
Total	1707

JUVENILE ARRESTS
2008

Battery	1
Criminal Conversion	2
False Informing	2
Minor in Possession	14
Never Receiving a License	3
Operating While Intoxication	1
Possession of a Controlled Substance	2
Possession of Marijuana	7
Possession of Paraphernalia	6
Possession of Tobacco	1
Public Intoxication	1
Resisting Law Enforcement	1
Runaway	2
Theft	11
Total	54

Reporting Year 2008

West Lafayette Police Animal Control Yearly Report

	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
COMPLAINTS	17	12	31	25	39	32	30	20	27	33	21	23	310
WARNINGS	3	5	8	6	10	2	8	5	6	7	3	3	66
LEASH LAW/PARKS	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
CITATIONS	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	5
ANIMAL BITES	2	1	1	2	1	3	1	4	3	3	1	2	24
ANIMAL OTHER	0	0	2	5	5	5	6	4	3	6	2	3	41
CATS TRAPPED	1	0	4	8	3	4	7	1	6	5	1	1	41
OTHERS TRAPPED	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	2	1	0	7
DOGS TO SHELTER	3	2	2	5	7	7	4	2	2	3	4	6	47
CATS TO SHELTER	1	0	4	11	17	10	16	4	11	6	3	5	88
OTHERS TO SHELTER	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	9
DEAD ANIMALS	2	2	16	10	8	16	12	7	3	7	3	0	86
INJURED ANIMALS	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	7
ANIMAL NEGLECT	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	6
TOTAL	31	22	69	73	99	83	90	52	61	72	41	46	739
MILEAGE	321	251	416	588	631	612	757	357	636	667	420	378	6034

Report submitted by ACO

John Long

Unit #: 1-96

DATE: 12-31-08